

JOHN MICHAEL SAMUELS MA
curriculum vitae

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key skills **Lighting Cameraman, DOP**
PSC | Studio | Live disciplines
FCP editor
BBC Approved Contractor

Credits Include:

2012

Gordon Ramsay Christmas Cookalong Live	Channel 4 / One Potato Two Potato / Links Broadcast
Newsnight	BBC
London 2012 Olympic Games	Features & live cameraman Olympic Broadcasting Services
Olympic torch relay coverage	BBC
JACKALS	Director of Photography / operating
<i>film trailer can be viewed here</i>	http://jackalsthemovie.com/
West Olympic Heroes	Olympic special for BBC West
1 st Youth Winter Olympic Games	Features cameraman Olympic Broadcasting Services

2011

Medical Training film for Nigerian District Hospitals - filmed Kano, Nigeria	Health Partners International/Countrywise Communications
<i>Casualty</i> Episode 47 Thanks for Today	Director/Cameraman
The Andrew Marr Show	'C' camera operator
My Brother the Islamist	BBC
	Grace Productions for BBC 3 - Grierson Award Nominated
	http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LorhdNH1C34
The One Show	BBC
Regional Television –Manchester	BBC
Regional Television – London	BBC

2010

Flog It, Newsnight, News 24	BBC
Inside Out, Network news	BBC
Deal or No Deal	Endemol
ITN News	

2009

Feed the World - Season 1 Episode 5	for BBC World, Hot Cities, produced by Rockhopper TV http://www.rockhopper.tv/hotcities/feed_the_world.html
Kiss of the Moon	Camera operator (joint) Panther Films www.pantherfilms.co.uk
Inside Out West	BBC
Newsnight	BBC
Sky Sports	
Tractor Ted series of Childrens Films	Tractorland Ltd. Director of Photography http://www.tractorted.co.uk/Pages/DVDClips

2008

Beechings Tracks with Simon Calder	Grace Productions for BBC West and BBC 4 Winner of RTS Best Regional Documentary 2008 RTS Western Region http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=3c8GEsFr1T0
Rice Field Preparation	African Rice Centre /A training film for the West Africa Rice Board for use in all West African nations / Countrywise Communications. www.countrywise.com
Upstaged	Camera Senior on The BBC's multiplatform live series on BBC 3 and the internet. – Endemol / Roll to Record for BBC
Charlotte: A Royal at War	Feature length cinema release documentary about the Luxemburg Royal family for Grace Productions. (Received UK Royal Premiere on 19 th September 2008) details:- http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=3rBP4ah-1zc
Media Training -	Camera Crews Ltd – with Harvey Leach, Michael Brown Associates, Carter Communications and others.
Tractor Ted series of Childrens Films	Tractorland Ltd. www.tractorland.co.uk

2007

BBC Senior Camera operator on fixed term staff contract 14/6/07 to 11/10/07

Network News, Newsnight, News 24	BBC
Inside Out, regional news	
Sky sports	SKY / Telegenic
Media Training	Camera Crews Ltd.

2006

In the Grid	Channel 5 / Endemol / Roll 2 Record
Tight Lines & various sports	SKY
Don't Get Done Get Dom	BBC1 / Flame
Launch of new Ford Transit	Ford / 4impact / Lynx Broadcast
40 Years of Longleat - VT Inserts	BBC Breakfast Special
Politics show Points West	BBC
Tractor Ted	Educational / recreational childrens series
Ice Cold In Oulu	Documentary about ice swimming near the arctic circle.

2005

Dragons Eye	BBC Wales
Daily Planet	Discovery Channel Canada
Euromaxx	for Deutsche Welle
Newsnight	BBC
Politics Show, Points West	BBC
'Tractor Ted'	Childrens educational sell-through video series
'Tight Lines'	Fishing series , SKY Sports
GMTV	
ITN Network newsSky sports	

2004

Various factual	Meridian Broadcasting
ICC World Cricket Tournament	CTV OB's / Sky sports
Grand Designs	Channel 4
Newsnight; Politics Show; Inside Out	BBC
GMTV Sky News	
'The Pink Shoes' -	Director of Photography - contemporary drama

2003

'Tanks 3' UKTV History Channel Eagle Media Productions,
'War Women' (Programme 2) UKTV History Channel Eagle Media Productions,
Newsround CBBC
Pet Rescue Endemol
Sky Sport
'Lifeline ' BBC
Politics Show BBC
Inside Out; London; Inside Out West Bristol BBC
Six O'Clock News – Special Report - Gap Year BBC
'Clash of the Cities' BBC Network – Bristol's entry VT, and the live TX.
Countrywise Communications various promotions and training films.

2002

Pet Rescue Endemol
News 24 BBC
Richard & Judy Channel 4
Westcountry Live Carlton
Various sport & factual Sky

2001

'Hyde and Seek' Lighting gaffer theatrical film drama -
'Out of Order' HTV West
M.A.F.F. training films Countrywise Communications
'A Little Bit of Heaven' 6 x 30 min doc. series Carlton-Westcountry.
Factual & features Carlton

2000

'Testament' Series cameraman 6 x 30 min 'biography ' documentary series
Really Wild Show BBC Natural History Unit
Caddy's Year Andrew Caddick's benefit year – documentary. Carlton Westcountry Television

1999

2000 Today BBC Network.
'Martha -The Tranters Wife' Camera operator - costume drama, - Dashwood Productions Ltd.
'Secret World' - Prospero Productions for HTV
'Home For Christmas' 'Garden Getaways' ~(series)~ Westcountry Television
'Home in the Country'(series) 'Illuminations' (series), Westcountry Television
'Birthday People'(series) Dig it with Den' ~(series), Westcountry Television
Westcountry Live' Westcountry Television
Tonight with Trevor McDonald - Granada / I.T.N.
Wild About Dorset Series cameraman 4 x 30 min for Westcountry Television
Pet Rescue Bazal Productions
Channel 4 News - H.T.V. news, I.T.N. News
'What's the War For' Channel 4.
Reuters Television / Sky news.

1998

'Watchout' BBC Natural History Unit
GMTV Live and p.s.c. production, I.T.N. news, HTV news, Channel 4 news
'Pet Rescue' Bazal Productions for Channel 4
Honda UK, Honda Networking corporate.
'Illuminations' weekly religious series Westcountry Television.
'Westcountry Live' - Westcountry Television- news and current affairs - various.
Sport and features Sky sports and Meridian Television

1997

'Watch Out' - BBC Natural History Unit
Funeral of Diana, Princess of Wales. I.T.N. / Arena Mobiles
Glastonbury '97 - BBC 2 Network television
'Trees, Tunnels & Tarmac'. documentary about the Fairmile road protesters –
Westcountry Television.
1997 General Election coverage, Westcountry Television
Various factual I.T.N. Reuters, Channel 4 Westcountry Television

1996

'Er Mwyn Tad', Welsh language sit-com. Enfys / Tiger Bay Productions for S4C.
'Link' programme - W.T. / Andrew Productions
Farming-Magazine programme. Countrywise Communications:
'I-Dot' Live weekly rock show by Enfys for S4C.
Sea Empress oil disaster Reuters International
BT Global Challenge - Reuters
'Westcountry Live', 'Power Game' Westcountry Television
Auto Trader Saloon Car Championships BBC Top Gear/Grandstand, & Swedish TV Chan1 B.H.P productions.
Coca-Cola, Schweppes, Sprite promotional short.

October to December. 1995

Production period for a documentary following a motorcycle expedition down the Great Rift Valley in West Africa, from Eritrea to Dar Es Salam.

1995

Russ Abbott - Fishing Madness' Lighting Gaffer , on a PolyGram sell-through video.
Pavarotti in Singleton Park, Severn Focus Studio/ British Telecom.
Various factual Reuters Television

March 1994 to June 1995

PSC/ live OB cameraman with (HTV / Wire TV) on the daily magazine programme 'Livewire'

1994

Premier League Football (various) for BBC/BSky B / Televideo
Sound recordist / technician on a documentary filmed in the Madurai region of Southern India about the work of the Joe Homan Trust.

1993

Southern League ice hockey OB Coverage for Meridian TV -Televideo.
Olympic Ice Hockey Qualifying Multi camera OB with live international feeds and recordings
Tournament at Sheffield for BBC Grandstand and BBC North.
4th UK Summer Special Olympic Games. 5 x 30 minute series. Multi-camera OB and PSC coverage of events
by Televideo for BBC Pebble Mill.

1992

News & Sport:- various for CNN London,- T.S.W.- H.T.V.
Channel 4 Daily, Disbanding of the Ulster Defence Regiment and Royal Irish Rangers.
"The Sidcot Experience", Photographed/directed a 12 min promotional short for Sidcot School.
"The Door is Always Open", Photographed/directed a 13 min promotional short for St. Michael's Cheshire Home.

Barton Photography various corporates.

Media Training Communication Skills International.
"Second Chance-Cleaning Oiled Seabirds" Promotional short for the R.S.P.C.A / Free Range TV.
"Tomorrow's World" BBC
National Election Night coverage. BBC
"Rocking at the Ritz -The Firebirds Live" Lighting camera for fictional sequences

1991

G7 London Economic Summit 1991,
CNN World News Hour - World Business Today
Channel 4 news
Countryfile.

CNN London -News and current affairs
Live studio world-wide satellite transmissions.- CNN / F.T TV

BBC

1990

News and sport-
'Breaking the Waves'
"Axbridge Pageant"
"Discover Cheddar Caves"
Corporate-

H.T.V.- BBC Bristol, - B.S.B. - BBC South West - H.T.V.
9 min Corporate short on coastal defences construction: Barton Photography.
Multi camera recording for sell-through video.
Producer/Director promotional short for Cheddar Caves / Longleat Enterprises.
Uden Associates for Ford Motor Company

1988-1990

1977 to 1990

Camera assistant, Barton Photography
I ran my own stills photography business on a semi professional basis.

Additional information

Holder of full clean **car** and **motorcycle** driving licence.
Holder of full British Passport
First aid qualified and member of the British Red Cross with other advanced and related qualifications, including IHCD Ambulance Technician qualified.
Experienced horse rider - (race horses).

Additional Courses attended:

Safety Management Training on Working at Height - Issued by the Industrial Safety Advisory Centre and Guild of Television Cameramen
G.B.C.T. 35 / 16mm camera course.
Kodak: Film for Television.
Guild of Television Cameramen Widescreen camera workshop
News Risk Assessment in Hostile Environments- (2005 Centurion Risk Assessment)
Out of vehicle safety training – Devon and Cornwall police - for working on a series about accident investigation
HD training course with Paul Wheeler DOP at VMI

Memberships:

GBCT - Guild of British Camera Technicians
GTC - Guild of Television Cameramen
IAWF - International Association of Wildlife Film makers

Education:

February 1993 to February 1994

Studied for PG Diploma / MA Degree Film & Television Production: Documentary, at the Northern Media School, Sheffield Hallam University. The course required theoretical and practical assessment of Directing and Producing films in addition to all other technical roles.

qualifications

2001 Awarded National Vocational Qualification **Camera Direction Level 4**
1996 Awarded **MA degree, Film and Television Production: Documentary**
1994 Awarded: Post Graduate Diploma, Film and Television Production: Documentary.
1975 City & Guilds Audio Visual Technicians Cert. 736

Programme Awards

Lighting cameraman / DOP on the following films

2012 Nominated for Best Cinematography on JACKALS feature film - Newport International Film Festival.
Beechings Tracks with Simon Calder - RTS Best Regional Documentary 2008
2004 Nominated for RTS Regional Current affairs Programmes - **'Inside Out' - Red Water**
2001 **"Sheila Cassidy"** programme from **TESTAMENT**, a Carlton series for Westcountry Television
winner of **Sandford St Martin Trust Award** for excellence in religious broadcasting.
2000 **"Derriford Children"** Highly commended Best Terrestrial TV Documentary, Christian Broadcasting Council
1998 **RTS South West - Best Regional News Story "Walker Wingsail"**